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“DOC Central Office Staff volunteers at Second Helpings”

Indiana Department of Correction Central Office staff today completed the first of three volunteer mornings working in the kitchen at Second Helpings. Led by Commissioner J. David Donahue, 12 IDOC employees helped to prepare meals which will be distributed free of charge to local non-profits. Additional IDOC teams will volunteer on May 20 and 27 of this year.

Second Helpings accepts donated perishable and overstock food to prepare nutritious meals for thousands of hungry children and adults every day, and distributes them free of charge through local social service agencies in Greater Indianapolis. Second Helpings also trains unemployed and underemployed adults for meaningful careers in the culinary industry. www.secondhelpings.org



Commissioner Donahue with Stephen Shepherd. Mr. Shepherd is currently in the Culinary Training Class at Second Helpings, and was previously an offender at the Putnamville Correctional Facility.



IDOC Staff prepared over 200 pounds of potatoes.



Volunteers included (left to right) J. David Donahue, Yolanda Sharber, LaDonna Mitchell, David Burch, Liz Johnson, Jim Cox, Brenda Ganstine, Bruce Lemmon, Penny Adams, Rick Rosales, Tilmer Paulson, Dave Liebel.